

President Bi-Weekly Report to the Students' Representative Council

Presented by: President Alex Nguyen May 13th, 2022

Hello everyone!

I hope you are all enjoying the first few weeks of summer break.

The first two weeks of the executive's term have flown by it seems, and we've been very busy preparing for what will surely be a great year ahead with you all! I look forward to working with all of you over the course of the year and seeing all the amazing things you'll accomplish in your roles.

Throughout the summer you will be receiving both bi-weekly reports from myself, and a monthly report on behalf of the executive team. The purpose of these reports is to keep you all informed on what we're working on throughout the summer until the first SRC meeting starts in the Fall. These reports are deliberately concise in the interest of understanding and efficiency.

Should you have any questions or would like more information, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at <u>su_president@stu.ca</u>.

Looking forward to working with you all this year!

Best regards, Alex Nguyen (she/her) STUSU President

Meetings

Meeting w/ Ryan Sullivan

The Welcome Week Chair, VPSL Anahi and I had a meeting with Ryan Sullivian to go over some inquiries in preparation for the Welcome Week this year.

1st & 2nd Students' Executive Council Meeting

The Executive team and I had our first meeting to go through our operations for the summer term and to brainstorm advocacy projects and issues we would like to take on this year, including:

- Set individual Executives check-ins summer schedule.
- Annual Priorities Document, which will be released on the first day of June. The Priorities document is the documents comprising STUSU and each Executives' priority initiatives for this year.
- STUSU's Strategic document is also expiring in 2023 so this year the SRC will have a chance to build up our new Strategic document as well.
- Welcome week update.
- Policy maintenance and updates.
- Shinerama Coordinator: similar to last year, the VPSL will take on the Shinerama Coordinator position due to lack of application for the position.

Meeting w/ WW Chair

I met with our Welcome Week Chair to check in and discuss ways I can support them in their role. We also go through swags leftovers, and do inventory checks.

Meeting w/ Campus Trust

VP Admin Mina, General Manager Tina and I met with our Campus Trust administrator to go over STUSU Health and Dental Plan performance as well as looking into what can be changed for the upcoming year to ensure efficiency and overall benefits for STUdents. It was great to hear the Plans is on track to break even and gain some surplus for the first time after years having deficits. The Executive team will discuss and set the premium rates for next year plans.

Senate Committee on Reconciliation Committee: Indigenous Film Festival Meeting I attended a meeting hosted by the Dean of Humanities and the Senate Committee on Reconciliation to be filled in and help prepare the 1st Indigenous Film Festival this upcoming school year.

Meeting w/ BOG Student Representative

I had a meeting with the BOG Student Representative Catherine to go over BOGs meeting procedures and protocols along with answering any questions they may have in preparation for their first BOG meeting.

STU Board of Governors Meeting

The university's Board of Governors (BOG) met on Saturday, May 14th. The Board of Governors is the university's highest decision-making body. Since the BOG represents the university's interest, STUSU President joins the meeting as an Observer so that I can voice the students' interest in the most efficient way. These meetings are strictly confidential.

Welcome Week Committee Meeting

The WW Chair and I along with Ryan Sullivan, Brock Richardson and Welcome Week Coordinator had the first Committee meeting. It is exciting to work with everyone in preparation for a full in person Welcome Week.

Senate Meeting

I attended my first Senate meeting. The Senate handles all the academic matters of the university and I work alongside our Student Senators to ensure students' concerns are being taken into account.

Meeting w/ UNBSU - Safe Ride

VPSL Anahi and I attended a meeting with UNBSU to discuss Safe Ride service and fees for next year.

New Brunswick Student Alliance (NBSA)

The New Brunswick Student Alliance is a provincial student organization representing students from universities across New Brunswick. The STUSU works alongside with our advocacy partners to advocate for students on the provincial level. I serve as Secondary delegate while VP Ed Julia serves as Primary delegate for STUSU. Reports regarding NBSA include:

- NBSA AGM Meeting: VP Ed Julia and I attended our first NBSA AGM meeting alongside former President Ty and former VP Ed Sydona. In the meeting, we learned about NBSA, and its current policy works in preparation for the upcoming term.
- NBSA Foundation Conference: Upcoming in late May.

Canadian Alliance of Student Association (CASA)

The Canadian Alliance of Student Association (CASA) is a advocacy student organization on the federal level. Similar to NBSA, The STUSU works alongside with our advocacy partners to advocate for students on the federal level. I serve as Secondary delegate while VP Ed Julia serves as Primary delegate for STUSU. Reports regarding NBSA include:

• CASA Foundation Conference: VP Ed Julia and myself will be traveling to the CASA Foundation Conference which will be held in Ottawa from June 5th-June 10th this year.

Miscellaneous

Spring clean up & Swags for High School students

The Execs team, and the WW Chair cleared out our storage and ECH office and did inventory checks in preparation for WW. We also prepared 70 kits for high school students visiting STU as well as made stationery donations to faculty and staff.

Introductions & Meetings set up

I introduced myself to the senior administration, the lower administration, key figures of STU and the community, MLA David Coon and MP Jenica Atwin.

The Executive team will meet with the senior administration team and MLA David Coon (in person) in the upcoming month to introduce ourselves and STUSU advocacy priorities for this year.

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